



RCMP Border Integrity Pleased with Gun Smuggler's Five Year Sentence

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While under a lifetime prohibition from possessing any prohibited or restricted firearm, David Jonathan ROSS age 55 an American Citizen who lived in Aldergrove was sentenced to five years after being convicted on March 17, 2008 for importation of firearms, being the driver of a motor vehicle with firearms present and breaching his firearms prohibition.

RCMP Border Integrity investigators arrested and charged ROSS following a one month investigation where ROSS attempted to enter Canada at the Aldergrove Crossing by providing false information to a Border Services Officer. A subsequent search of his vehicle uncovered three restricted and one prohibited firearm. The investigation determined that between November 2006 and February 2007, ROSS purchased 22 guns.

According to Superintendent Bill Ard, officer in charge of the "E" Division RCMP Border Integrity Program, "The RCMP is pleased with the 5 year sentence handed ROSS, especially in light of ROSS already being prohibited from possessing firearms".

"Assistance from the United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) and Canada Border Services Agency (CBSA) was essential to the identification of ROSS and the subsequent safety of our officers during his arrest", said Superintendent Bill Ard.

"Border security is of paramount importance", said Special Agent in Charge of the Seattle Field Division, Kelvin N. Crenshaw. "Firearms trafficking will not be tolerated. Our international partnerships made this a successful investigation."

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